seal more such buildings on the same lines;

(e) whether the Government have not been taking any action at the time when such unlawful buildings were under construction;

(f) if so, the details thereof; and

(g) whether the Government propose to hold the field staff responsible for such construction of unlawful commercial complexes in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c). Yes, Sir. Out of a total number of 165 buildings sealed since 1st January, 1991, 12 buildings are situated in Defence Colony area. These properties have been sealed by MCD for making unauthorised construction, deviations against sanctioned building plan beyond compoundable limits; and conversion of residential buildings into commercial complexes.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) and (f) Necessary action is initiated under the provisions of DMC Act during the course of construction also.

(g) Disciplinary action is taken against field staff whenever any lapse is found on their part.

Revival of Sick Fishing Units

2210. SHRI K.V.THANGKABALU: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the sick fishing units have applied for financial assistance for rehabilitation and revival;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of such units which have actually received assistance during the current financial year;

(d) whether the promised working capital has been reneged by Shipping Credit and Investment Company of India Ltd.; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.52 sick fishing companies which had taken loan from Shipping Development Fund Committee (SDFC) earlier have applied to Shipping Credit and Investment Company of India Limited (SCICI) for availing assistance under rehabilitation scheme. Of the 52 proposals, received 20 proposals are incomplete.

(c) Out of 52 proposals, 30 proposals which were complete in all respects have been approved for rehabilitation in the current financial year. These companies are yet to complete loan documentation formality.

(d) and (e) Shipping Credit and Investment Company of India Ltd., have informed that working capital facilities were not promised under the rehabilitation package.

Unauthorised Construction on Public Land in Delhi

2211. SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the large scale encroachments on public land and unauthorised constructions in different parts of the Capital;

(b) if so, the number of cases that come to the notice of the Government during the each of the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) the action taken against such illegal activities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir. Encroachment and unauthorised construction is a continuing problem.

(b) and (c) The information is being collected from the concerned Departments and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Trend of Government Savings

2212. SHRI RABI RAY: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission has expressed serious concern over the extremely disquietening and negative trends in Government savings in the recent years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps the Government have taken to augment Government savings?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H.R.BHARDWAJ) : (a) and (b). As reported in the National Accounts Statistics, savings of the Government deteriorated from 0.04% of GDP in 1985-86 to -2.74% of GDP in the year 1989-90. This is a cause for concern.

(c) To reduce the dis-savings of the government the Central Budget for the year 1991-92 introduced a number of correctives to improve the receipts and to reduce the expenditures. These include:

i) greater economy in government expenditure with specific cut in non-plan expenditure;

ii) abolition of cash compensatory support for exports;

iii) reduction in subsidies;

iv) stringency in defence expenditure;

v) increase in the prices of motor spirit, domestic LPG and aviation turbine fuel; and

vi) mobilisation of additional resources by changing the tax rates.

National Urban Transport Policy

2213. SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD:
SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state.

(a) whether there is urgent need to formulate and adopt a national urban transport policy;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government propose to make elaborate changes in the Urban transport systems and planning to achieve the target; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (d). The direct responsibility of the Government of India in the area of urban transportation is limited to Union Territories without a Lagislature. While proposals are under consideration for improving the urban transportation system in Delhi, there are no proposals, at present, for formulating a National Urban